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DIGEST

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Proposed law requires DWF to not issue any new commercial gear licenses for oyster dredges or oyster tongs. Further provides that the department may issue renewal licenses to any person, company, or corporation that held such commercial gear licenses during the 2004, 2005, 2006, and 2007 calendar years.

Effective upon signature of the governor or lapse of time for gubernatorial action.

(Amends R.S. 56:305(H); enacts R.S. 56:303.6(D))